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Applicant(s) : Mark A. REILEY  
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Examiner : David J. ISABELLA  
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Customer No. : 66854

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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313  
Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Introductory Comments:**

This response addresses the non-final Office Action mailed July 12, 2007, for which a response is due October 12, 2007. Please consider the remarks as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** are not being made at this time.

**Amendments to the Claims** are not being made at this time.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.